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RE:
Petition for Withdrawal from Issue

RECIPIENT'S REFERENCE NUMBER:
09/813,235

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Petition for Withdrawal from Issue by Applicant

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In re application of: WOODWARD et al.

Attorney Docket No.: WVANP012

Application No.: 09/813,235

Examiner: ZEENDER, Florian M.

Filed: March 19, 2001

Group: 3627

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**PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE BY APPLICANT
37 CFR 1.313(c)**Mail Stop 313(c)
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Sir:

PETITION

1. Applicant hereby petitions for the withdrawal of this application from issue.

NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE and ISSUE FEE

2. The Notice of Allowance was mailed on October 5, 2006 and the issue fee for this case was mailed on October 17, 2006.

REASONS FOR WITHDRAWAL REQUEST

3. The reason for withdrawal from issue of this application is

☐ unpatentability of one or more claims. One or more claims in this application are unquestionably unpatentable. Enclosed is an amendment to such claims, and an explanation as to how the amendment causes such claims to be patentable. §1.313(c)(1).

☒ for consideration of a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114 and Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.312 previously filed January 8, 2007. The RCE and Amendment are enclosed along with this petition.

☐ to permit express abandonment of the application. §1.313(c)(3). Applicant requests that this application be expressly abandoned. A continuing application is enclosed along with this petition.

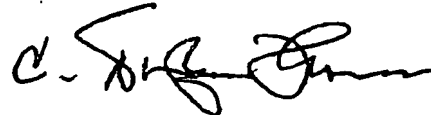
GOOD AND SUFFICIENT REASONS

4. Specifically, the reason why this application must be withdrawn from issue is to have an Amendment entered which was previously denied entry. §1.313(a). MPEP 1308.

PETITION FEES

5. The petition fee is paid as follows:
- ☒ Enclosed is a credit card payment form in the sum of \$130.00
 - ☐ Charge Account No. 50-3874 the sum of \$130.00.

Respectfully submitted,



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